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APPARATUS HAVING PLURAL SPREADING SECTIONS THAT PERFORM SPREADING PROCESSING SEPARATELY FOR A RETRANSMISSION SIGNAL USING DIFFERENT SPREADING

CODES (as amended)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 99, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. Attached is a Japanese Office Action dated January 15, 2008 with an English translation thereof. JP '864 cited therein was filed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 6, 2004.

Applicants present this art so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see <u>Beckman Instruments</u>, <u>Inc. v. Chemtronics</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rules 104 and 106. Applicants respectfully request that this art be expressly considered

during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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